I listen to both broadcast and XM. There is not a braodcast station that does nearly the job of reporting traffic. They can't. To survive they have to do talk or music most of the time. With XM radio I get nearly constant traffic reports - when it is important to me-

In general, the advantage for me with XM is that I can focus on exactly what I want to listen to when I want to, music, politics, economics, traffic and weather.

When I want a hodge podge of listening I tune to broadcast. I do still listen to broadcast but I pay for the right to choose.

Do not hobble XM, it fills an important niche for me.